## **Q&A's on Establishment of Salinity Limits for the Salton Sea Fishery RFP**

- Q Are you aware that for many of the fish species there are no protocols for keeping them alive for such testing?
- A The approach taken will dictate what types of difficulties are encountered. That is part of the scientific method and the costs for conducting scientific studies.
- Q This would appear to be a multi-year project. Are you prepared to guarantee funding for 5-10 years to allow us to do this research?
- A We anticipate that some studies will be multi-year efforts. Contracts will cover the length of studies we are funding. There are no open-ended contracts. Further, work that does not have the potential to produce useable results in reasonable timeframes based on benchmarks associated with proposals and project needs will not be funded. We specifically note that 10-year projects are beyond the scope of our interests.